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Madrid, May 20. *N. S.*

THE Court continues at *Aranjuez*, enjoying the Diverſions of the Seaſon, and will return hither about the middle of the next Month. The Marquis *de Harcourt*, Ambaſſador from *France*, has taken his Audience of Leave of the King, and will ſet out from hence to morrow on his return to *Paris*. The King has made Don *Juan de Yſla* Preſident of *Validolid*, Don *Juan de Cordoua* Arch-Biſhop of *Cagliar* in *Sardinia*, Don *Urbino* Arch-Biſhop of *Los Angelos* in *New-Spain*, and Don *Carpentiero* Arch-Biſhop of the *Honduras*. An Expreſs was ſent this week to *Cadiz*, to haſten the fitting out of the Ships deſigned for the *Weſt-Indies*; It's ſaid, the Galeons will ſail from *Cadiz* to the *Weſt-Indies* about the latter end of the Summer.

From the Saxon *Camp near* Riga, May 19. *N. S.* We are encamped on this ſide the River *Dwina*, and the *Swedes* on the other, but if the Reinforcements we expect from *Poland* and *Saxony* do not arrive very ſoon, we ſhall march towards the Frontiers of *Poland*. The *Swediſh* Succours were received at *Riga* with a great deal of Joy, and having refreſhed themſelves after the Fatigues of their long March from *Finland*, they are now preparing to attack us in our Camp, and to endeavour to retake the *Dunamunder* Fort. The *Swediſh* Forces in and about *Riga* are ſaid to be at preſent about 16900, and they expect a Reinforcement of 8000 Men from *Sweden*, under the Command of Count *Welling*.

Mittaw, May 20. The *Swediſh* Succours from *Finland* have ſupplied the Town of *Riga* with Proviſions, and reinforced the Garriſon with 3000 Men. The reſt are at preſent encamped near the Town on the other ſide the *Dwina*, but intend to paſs the River, and to attack the *Saxons*, and retake the *Dunamunder* Fort, in which there is a Garriſon of 1000 Men. 'Tis ſaid, 8000 Men are ſhortly expected from *Sweden*, and with this Reinforcement the *Swedes* will have an Army of above 24000 Men in *Livonia*. The Forces of *Lithuania* continue near *Birza*, but have yet no Orders to join the *Saxons*.

Warſaw, May 25. The Senate met this day, and the King of *Poland* acquainted them with the Motives that induced him to attack *Riga*, adding, That the King of *Denmark* does demand, by virtue of the Alliances between *Denmark* and *Poland*, that the *Polanders* will aſſiſt him againſt the *Swedes*, by giving them a Diverſion in *Liefland*; And that ſo fair an opportunity of regaining ſo conſiderable a Province, which formerly belonged to the Crown of *Poland*, ought not to be neglected. The Senate have the Matter under Conſideration, and we may expect in few days to hear what Reſolution they have taken thereupon; but by what has hitherto appeared to be the inclination of the Cardinal Primate, and the greateſt part of the Senators, it is judged they will not think it convenient to engage at this time in a War againſt *Sweden*. The Under-General of *Lithuania* is arrived here from that Dutchy, and General *Sapieha* is expected in a day or two.

Vienna, May 26. Great Preparations are making at the Palace of *Favorita*, for Celebrating the Empero.'s Birth-Day on the 9th of the next Month, againſt which time the Imperial Court is expected there from *Luxembourg*. The Queen of the *Romans* has been ſomewhat indiſpoſed, but is now well again. The Emperor's Miniſters meet frequently to conſider of the preſent poſture of Affairs in the North, and this Court appears reſolved to uſe all poſſible Endeavours to reſtore the Tranquility of thoſe Parts. Our Letters from *Croatia* ſay, the Imperial and *Turkiſh* Commiſſioners would ſhortly renew their Conferences for ſetling the *Limits*.

Mentz, June 1. The Elector of *Mentz* is come hither from *Aſchaffenbourg*, and intends in few days to go and uſe the Waters at *Slagenbad*. They write from *Embs*, that the Queen of *Poland* will ſhortly remove from thence to *Swalbach*.

Hanover, June 1. The Elector of *Hanover* went from hence on the 30th paſt to *Holſtein*. All his Electoral Highneſs's Forces are marched thither, except two Regiments of Horſe and four of Foot, and are to act in conjunction with thoſe of the Duke of *Cell*, in order to relieve *Tonningen*.

Hamburgh, June 4. The Forces of *Sweden* and *Lunenbourg*, which lately paſſed the *Elbe* under the Command of Count *Guldenſterne* Governor of *Bremen*, decamped on the firſt Inſtant from *Wandeſbeck*, and came to *Altona* and *Ottenſen*, where they were joined by the Troops of *Hanover*; They found at *Altena* a conſiderable quantity of Ammunition belonging to the *Danes*, and they demanded of the Burghers a Contribution of 50000 Dollars, to ſave the Town from being plunder'd and burnt; The Magiſtrates deſired time, ſaying, They would do all they could to comply with this Demand. The Elector of *Hanover* and Duke of *Cell* are come to *Altena*, and have there taken a Review of their Forces, which with the *Swedes* are about 20000 Men ſtrong. A *Daniſh* Man of War of 40 Guns having on board 150 Soldiers, being come into the *Elbe*, the *Lunenburghers* planted ſeveral Pieces of Cannon on the Banks of the River, with which they plied the *Daniſh* Ship ſo warmly, that they killed many of her Men, and obliged the reſt to forſake the Ship, and go off to the other Shore in their Boats, ſetting the Veſſel on fire before they left her; But the *Lunenburghers* ſent off ſome Men in Boats, who put out the Fire, and poſſeſſed themſelves of the Veſſel. The Letters from *Holſtein* give an Account, that on the firſt Inſtant, at night, the *Danes* ſtormed *Tonningen*, but were beaten off with conſiderable Loſs; The King of *Denmark* went from the Camp the next day to *Rensbourg*, whither his Regiment of Foot-Guards, and another Regiment of Foot, had Orders to follow. The *Danes* have ſent away

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